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JOHN DIX, FOUNDER OF DIXBORO, MICHIGAN

by Dan R. Manning

John Dix was born in Littleton, Massachusetts, on February 2, 1796.[1] His father and a grandfather on his mother's side marched from Littleton on April 19, 1775, as *minutemen* who fought at Concord's North Bridge in one of the first battles of the American Revolution.[2] The stories they would have told about that significant historical event likely had a great effect on John Dix's life decisions.

At the beginning of the War of 1812, when he was sixteen, John Dix shipped out on a privateer.[3] After the war ended, he became a merchant seaman, and by the early 1820s he was sailing on trading ships along the coasts of South America and California. Their route followed trade winds across the Pacific Ocean to Hawaii and many of the South Pacific Islands before they sailed to Canton, China. Normal cargoes of animal hides and sandalwood were exchanged there for silk goods, tea, and lacquerware. Every two or three years these merchant ships would return to their homeports on America's east coast where profits were shared between the owners, the captain, and his crew prior to being reassigned for another trading excursion.

In July of 1821 at Santa Barbara, California, Dix helped re-capture a ship named the *Cossack* that had been previously stolen by Spaniards.[4] After returning the ship to her owner in Hawaii, he bought half interest and sailed on his next trading voyage as captain of the *Cossack*. While anchored at Huahini in the Tahitian Islands, the *Cossack* was impounded on November 16, 1822 by government officials because Dix did not have any papers to prove that the ship had not been stolen.[5]

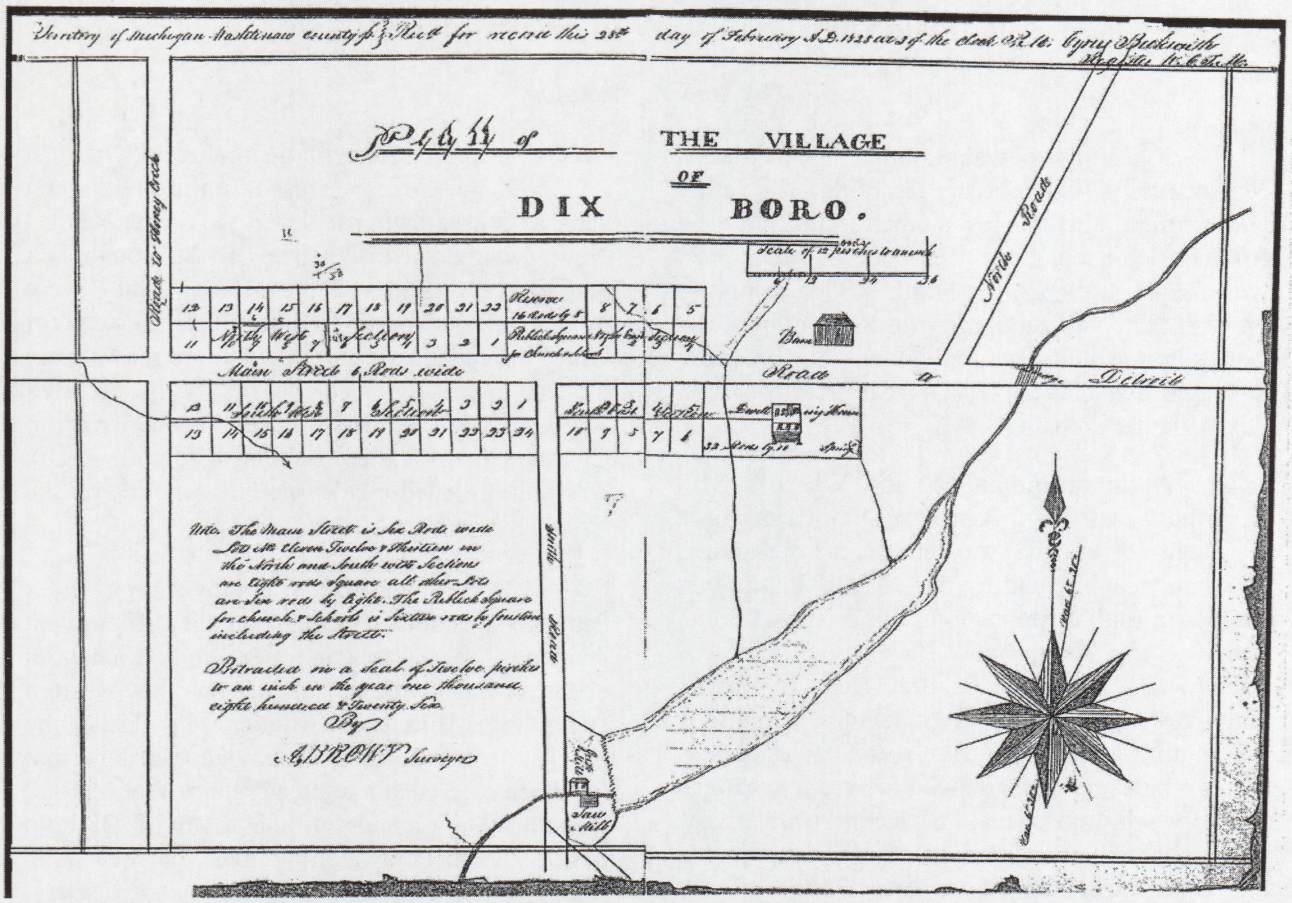
To keep from being tried for piracy while he was held under arrest in Sydney, Australia, Captain Dix wrote letters to the Governor of New South Wales. With them he sent letters of character that had been signed by native Tahitian leaders as well as influential American officials in Hawaii.[6]

After his release, Dix set sail on a trading excursion that ended with a shipwreck. On April 27, 1823, the *Cossack* crashed on the rocks and sank as it was trying to leave Hokianga Bay on New Zealand's North Island. Even though Dix and his crew survived the accident, they were immediately captured by cannibals. Instead of being killed and eaten, Dix and his crew were treated extremely well before being escorted safely across the island and handed over to Christian missionaries.[7] Within a few days, Dix was able to catch a ride back to America on the whaling ship, *Sarah*.[8]

Even though Dix's lengthy sailing career came to a sudden end, he had no difficulty in switching over to his next entrepreneurial endeavor—land development on the western edges of America's frontier. In 1824, he purchased 469 acres in Michigan Territory that had been offered at a reduced rate to War of 1812 veterans. He plotted out the town of Dixboro beside an old Potawatomi Indian trail near Ann Arbor.[9] After building a two-story house just east of town, he returned to Massachusetts, married Mary Eliza Hayes in Gloucester on March 7, 1825,[10] and brought her to the wilderness where they began raising a family.

Dix constructed a dam and sawmill on Fleming Creek, and built Washtenaw County's first frame barn across the road from his house. He also built a grist mill with two run of burrstones for grinding corn and wheat that was powered by the same creek. Dix was the community's first postmaster, and he set up a store house of goods in his home that were for sale to his neighbors.[11]

Local historian John Geddes referred to John Dix's neighbors who thought he was "the most unpopular man in the county." Several reasons for that statement were written by Geddes that concerned his former competitor in the lumber business.[12] There was no way for Dixboro's founder to defend himself because he had been dead for nearly a decade when they were published.


Plat of THE VILLAGE OF DIX BORO.
Main Street 4 Rods wide
Detroit
Note. The Main Street is Six Rods wide
A. BROWN Surveyor
Grist Mill
Saw Mill

[1826 Plat of the Village of Dixboro contributed by Ed Martin]

Increased opportunities and cheap land likely prompted John Dix to sell all of his Dixboro property in the fall of 1833 and move his family to Texas. After the first 200-mile overland journey to Wellsville [*Ohio*] on the Ohio River, they boarded a steamboat that took them to Cincinnati.[13] From there they floated downstream on the Mississippi River to New Orleans.

The Dix party crossed the Gulf of Mexico on a schooner named the *Mechanic*. Upon reaching the Texas coastline, a strong norther kept the ship from landing. After a large pan blew overboard, the ship's cook was ordered by the captain to retrieve it in a dingy that drifted onto land. John Dix asked permission to row another small boat filled with supplies across the stormy bay to assist the cook and several other sailors who had also been beached. He remained with them for three days until the schooner was able to come to their rescue. Many years later his son, who had been seven when they made the delayed landing, jokingly wrote that the family had arrived in Texas as a valentine on February 14.[14]

After three months of traveling, the Dix family legally entered the Mexican State of Texas along with a few thousand other immigrants. He purchased a small acreage in Stephen F. Austin's colony from John P. Coles that was located about 150 miles inland from Port Lavaca. He built a home about a mile west of Coles Settlement where he farmed and raised livestock not far from Yegua Creek.[15]

Before they moved to Texas, Mary Dix's cousin, Frances Trask, had lived with the Dix family in Michigan. To become self-sufficient in the new location, she started a girls' school "A few rods from Mr. D[ix] and under his protection."[16]

War for Independence from Mexico was initiated by angered Texas citizens at Gonzales on October 2, 1835. Two days later, after leaving his nine-year-old son in charge of the farm, John Dix joined a group of volunteer soldiers that fought the Mexican Army in one of the first battles of the Texas Revolution near San Antonio

de Bexar at Mission Concepcion. Following a month's service as a cavalryman, Private John Dix received furloughs from his superior officers that gave him permission to return home.[17] Had he not gone back to help with the corn harvest at the farm in Coles Settlement, Dix's family might have starved during the upcoming winter.

When Mexican soldiers annihilated all of the Alamo's defenders at San Antonio, settlers were urged to follow the retreating Texas Army under General Sam Houston for protection. During what became known as the *runaway scrape*, Dix, his family, and Frances Trask lived as refugees along the muddy roadways during terrible weather conditions. They returned to Coles Settlement that had been renamed Independence, after Houston's army defeated the Mexicans at the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836.[18]

For settling in Texas prior to the revolution, John Dix was awarded a *headright* land grant of 4,428 acres to use for farming and raising livestock. On January 1, 1854, he received $20.00 as a Public Debt for his service in Captain Swisher's Company in 1835.

Dix was one of six petitioners who presented a charter to President Houston for the creation of a school. It was the same one that had been initiated by Frances Trask, and renamed Baylor College at Independence. It became the first school to be chartered by the Texas Republic and would be the precursor for Baylor University.[19]

Both John Dix and his sixteen-year-old son volunteered for a mission in the fall of 1842 that was supposed to act as a counter-attack for Mexican incursions into Texas. They traveled by horseback under adverse conditions to San Antonio, and remained in camp near the Alamo until conditions worsened so much that they went AWOL with other disgruntled soldiers, and returned home.[20] The poorly planned expedition would eventually end with several captured men being executed after drawing black beans in a life-or-death lottery, while the others were held in Mexican prisons for over a year.

[Photo courtesy of Don Rollins, third great-grandson of Capt. John Dix]

In 1849, John Dix moved from Independence to Corpus Christi, and bought six beach lots from Henry L. Kinney, the town's founder.[21] At the same time, he was instrumental in assisting John James Dix, his oldest son, who was a veteran of the Mexican-American War, to establish ranching operations up the Nueces River where sheep, cattle, and horses were raised as well as crops.[22]

Kinney promoted the first Texas State Fair at Corpus Christi in the spring of 1852. John Dix and his oldest son won premiums for exhibiting the best ram and ewe, the finest flock of sheep, and the best mustang stallion.[23]

John Dix received an appointment in February of 1854 from President Franklin Pierce to serve as Surveyor and Inspector of the Revenue for the Port of Corpus Christi, and in

April of 1858, President James Buchanan re-commissioned him to the same position for another four years.[24] That term was cut short when the Civil War began.

All of John Dix's sons joined the Confederate Army except for Union Private William Henry Harrison Dix who was captured and imprisoned in Georgia at Andersonville. He lived, but that dreadful experience greatly affected him emotionally and physically. As staunch Unionists throughout the Civil War, John Dix and Mary continued to live in Corpus Christi. He was imprisoned three times with the threat of being hanged for treason. At the war's conclusion, he was appointed as the Nueces County Judge, and helped free many of his Unionist friends from jail.[25]

As an assistant agent for the Freedmen's Bureau, John Dix undertook the immense responsibility of helping former slaves become useful citizens.[26] He was also influential in assisting the local black population establish a church and operate it under their own supervision. Mary Dix served as one of the teachers in the church.[27]

John Dix served the community until his dying day. He had just been defeated as the Justice-of-the-Peace when he received the appointment as Postmaster of Corpus Christi three days before his death on January 16, 1870, at the age of 74.[28] In honor of his Christian leadership, all of the students and teachers of the city were "particularly requested to attend" the funeral services for John Dix at Bay View Cemetery.[29]

Carol Willets Freeman said that "Captain Dix was a forceful and ambitious man, and, if he had been contented to remain in Washtenaw County, Dixboro might have become a larger, more enterprising community. But many of the present residents like its slow, quiet growth, and wish it could remain a friendly, residential 'hamlet.'"[30]

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[1] Dix family Chart, Frank Bolles, 1882, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

[2] Herbert Joseph Harwood, *An Historical Sketch of the Town of Littleton*, from *History of Middlesex County, Massachusetts*, compiled by Hurd, Hamilton D. (Philadelphia: J. W. Lewis & Co. 1890), 16.

[3] Obituary of John Dix, originally published in the *Daily Ranchero* (Brownsville, Texas), Jan. 25, 1870, and reprinted in the *Peninsula Courier & Family Visitant* (Ann Arbor, Michigan), Mar. 18, 1870.

[4] Mrs. Yda Addis Storke, *A Memorial and Biographic History of the Counties of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura, California*, (Chicago: The Lewis Publishing Co., 1891).

[5] John Dix [memorialist] to Sir Thomas Brisbane, Governor of New South Wales, Colonial Secretary, letter. Index, 1788-1825, Reel 6016; 4/5783 p. 187; Jan. 14, 1823, SRNSW [*State Records Authority of New South Wales*].

[6] Huatia (signed with an "X"), Mahini (signed with an "X"), Charles Barff, William Ellis, and John M. Orsmond, Nov. 18, 1822, letter. Reel 620; 2/1830 p.359, SRNSW.

[7] Letter from Captain John Dix. *The Sydney Gazette*, Dec. 4, 1823.

[8] Ibid. Nov. 13, 1823.

[9] Carol Willits Freeman, *Of Dixboro: Lest We Forget*; hereafter referred to as Freeman, *Of Dixboro: Lest We Forget*, (self-published, 1979), 8,9.

[10] Topsfield Historical Society, *Vital Records of Gloucester, Massachusetts,* Vol. 2 (1896), Marriages, 278.

[11] John P. Geddes, contributor to *History of Washtenaw County, Michigan*; hereafter referred to as Chapman's *History of Washtenaw County, Michigan* (Chicago: Chas. C. Chapman & Co., 1881), 1066.

[12] Ibid.

[13] Autobiographical sketch, 1907, John James Dix papers, Archives and Information Services Division, Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Austin, Texas; hereafter referred to as Dix papers, Austin.

[14] John James Dix, journal entries of Feb. 14, 1894 and 1895, ibid.

[15] Dan R. Manning, *Captain John Dix, 1796-1870, a Texas Pioneer*; hereafter referred to as Manning, *Captain John Dix, a Texas Pioneer* (Hendersonville, Tenn.: Goldminds Publishing, 2014), 48, 49.

[16] Dan R. Manning, "Frances Trask: Early Texas Educator," *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* (Austin: The Texas State Historical Association, April 2000), 483.

[17] W. Barrett Travis and Stephen F. Austin, furlough papers, handwritten, Nov.4, 1835, Dix papers, Austin.

[18] Manning, *Captain John Dix, a Texas Pioneer*, 65.

[19] Lois Smith Murray, *Baylor at Independence* (Waco: Baylor University Press, 1972), 4.

[20] Joseph Milton Nance, *Attack and Counter-Attack, the Texas-Mexican Frontier, 1842* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 1964, 412.
[21] Deed Records, Book, Nueces County, Texas.
[22] Dix papers, Austin.
[23] Hortense Warner Ward, "The First State Fair of Texas," Southwestern Historical Quarterly, Vol. LVII, No. 2 (Austin: Texas State Historical Association, Oct., 1953), 166, 167.
[24] John Dix papers, Dan R. Manning collection.
[25] Nueces County District Court Records, Minutes, June 4, 1866, Book C., folder 3, Corpus Christi, Texas.
[26] Randolph B. Campbell, "Reconstruction in Nueces County, 1865-1876," *The Houston Review: History and Culture of the Gulf Coast* (Houston: Houston Library Board, 1994), 8.
[27] John Dix in Corpus Christi, Texas, to Rev. Joseph Welch, Superintendent of Schools, Aug. 1, 1868, letter, Records of the Superintendent of Education for the State of Texas 1865-1870, U.S. Bureau of Refugees Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.
[28] *The Ranchero*, Jan. 18, 1870, Brownsville, Texas.
[29] Dix papers, Austin.
[30] Freeman, *Of Dixboro: Lest We Forget*, 14.

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EDWARD ANDREW JACKSON FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record was contributed by Darrell and Nancy (Schmid) Trotter of Dixboro, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Edward Andrew Jackson and Anna Sophia Nichols were Darrell Trotter's great-grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Trotter have kindly given permission to the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw to publish this record and maintain a copy in the GSWC Bible Record Registry.

The Holy Bible. Philadelphia: Bradley, Garretson & Company, [*no date submitted with record*]

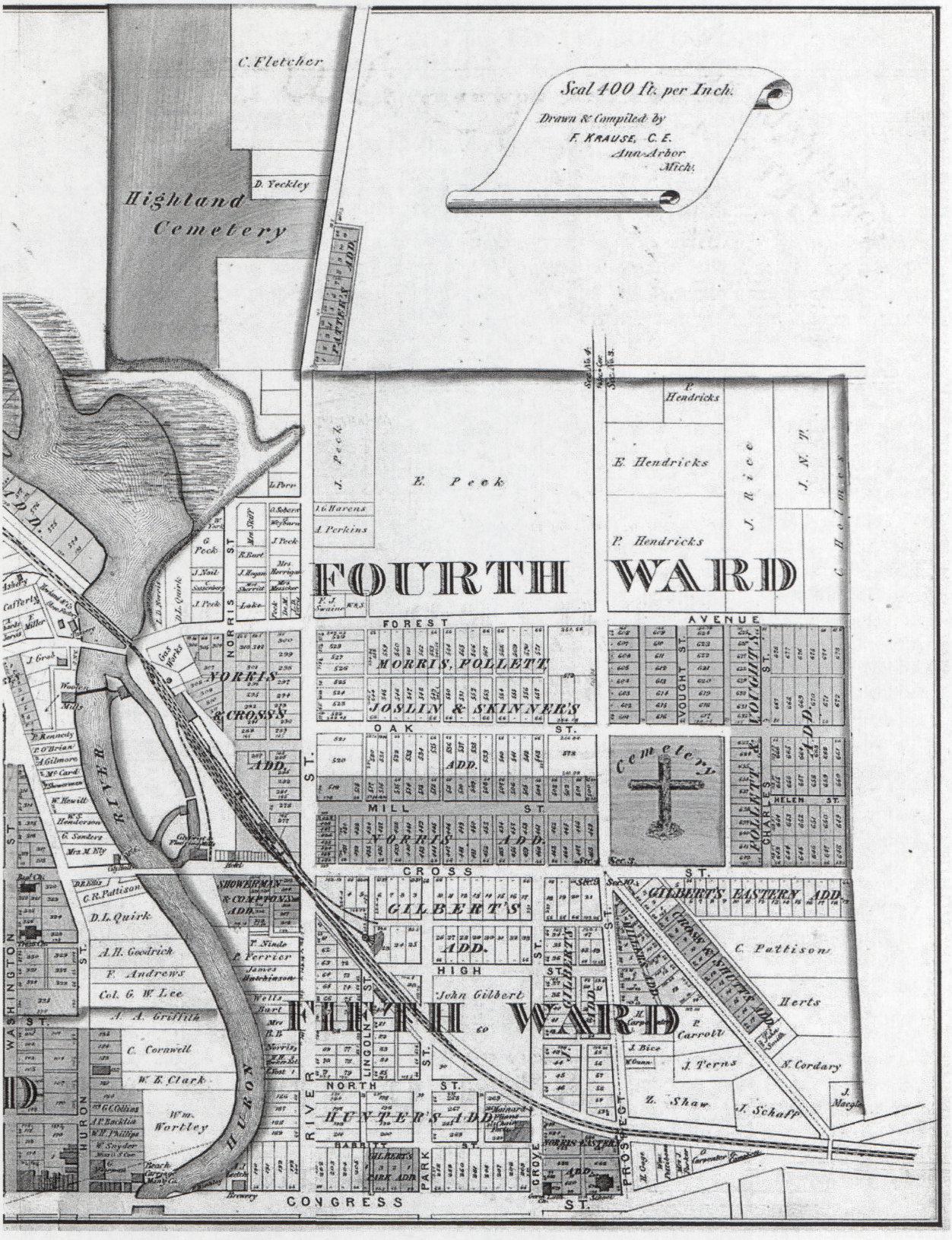
MARRIAGES
Edward Andrew Jackson of New York State and Anna Sophia Nichols on April 9, 1865
Edith Annie Jackson, January 4, 1893, A. Trotter
Harriott S. Jackson, April 16, 1898, J. Diehl
George H. Jackson, June 14, 1900, D. Taylor
Laura Ada Jackson to Wm. Wilkes, March 3, 1903
Arillia Mae to Frank Avery [*no date entered in record*]
Edward A. Jackson to Kate Thomas Jordan, Oct. 25, 1900
Howard Bartlett Jackson to Emma Wade [*no date entered in record*]
Lillian Isabelle Jackson to Harry J. McMichael [*no date entered in record*]
Lillian Orr & Howard Trotter, Jan. 10, 1928
Gladys Field & Howard Trotter, Mar. 12, 1950

BIRTHS
Howard Andrew Trotter, January 31, 1896

DEATHS
Edward Andrew Jackson, December 23rd, 1893
Mary Ellen Jackson, June 14th, 1900
Jesse P. Diehl, November 22nd, 1899
Anna S. Jackson, July 16, 1913
Arillia May Avery, 1901
Harriet S. Diehl-Thompson, Dec. 20, 1902
Laura Ada Wilkes, Sept. 23, 1932
Howard Bartlett, April 28, 1927
Lillian Isabelle, March 12, 1907
Lillian Orr Trotter, June, 1946
Howard Trotter, December 9, 1959

GSWC Bible Records Registry

NORTH HALF OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI
(Northwest Quadrant)
EVERTS & STEWART'S
COMBINATION ATLAS MAP OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1874



NORTH HALF OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI
(Northeast Quadrant)
EVERTS & STEWART'S
COMBINATION ATLAS MAP OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1874

INDEX TO NORTH HALF OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI, EVERTS & STEWART'S COMBINATION ATLAS MAP OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1874

Copied by Marty Carr

[*Ed Note: The map coordinate in the index is based on the approximate quadrant location in the city with the east west division being the ward boundary on the east side of the Huron River. Street name and quadrant are listed to help locate the property on the map but in some cases may not be the actual address since precise frontage is not apparent on the map. The street name entered as "section 10" refers to Ypsilanti Township section 10, which in 1874 falls partly within the Ypsilanti City boundary and is located in the lower right of the NE quadrant map.*]

Map drawn and compiled by F. Kraus

..Add/Case & Perry	Forest Ave.	NW
..Add/Cross & Bagley's	Normal St.	NW
..Add/Cross & Shutts	Cross St.	NE
..Add/Follett & Vought's	Charles St.	NE
..Add/Gilbert's	Cross St.	NE
..Add/Gilbert's East.	Cross St.	NE
..Add/Gilbert's Park	Congress St.	NE
..Add/Howard's	Congress St.	NW
..Add/Hunter's	North St.	NE
..Add/J. Gilbert's	Grove St.	NE
..Add/Miller's	Prospect St.	NE
..Add/Morris, Follett, Joslin & Skinner's	Oak St.	NE
..Add/Morse & Ballentine's	Emmett St.	NW
..Add/Normal School	Cross St.	NW
..Add/Norris	Cross St.	NE
..Add/Norris & Cross's	Cross St.	NW
..Add/Norris & Cross's	River St.	NE
..Add/Norris Eastern	Congress St.	NE
..Add/Norris Western	along R.R.	NW
..Add/Pattee's	River St.	NE
..Add/Showerman & Compton's	Cross St.	NE
..Add/Stucks	Ellis St.	NW
..Add/Western	Ballard St.	NW
..Add/Wm. Jarvis	St. John St.	NW
..Add/Wm. Jarvis Re-Survey	St. John St.	NW
..Brewery/A. J. Leetch	Congress St	NE
..Cemetery/[Prospect]	Prospect St.	NE
..Cemetery/Catholic	St. John St.	NW
..Cemetery/Highland	River St.	NE
..Church/Baptist	Washington St.	NW
..Church/Catholic	Cross St.	NW
..Church/[Episcopal]	Huron St.	NW
..Church/German Lutheran	Congress St.	NE
..Church/M.E.	Washington St.	NW
..Church/Presb.	Washington St.	NW
..City Hall	Cross St.	NW
..Creek		NW
..Factory/Ashery	Huron St.	NW
..Factory/Beach Carriage Man'g Co.	Congress St.	NW
..Factory/Howland & Co. Glove	Forest Ave.	NW
..Factory/Mainard & Flinn's Chair	Grove St.	NE
..Factory/Sash, Blind & Floor	Congress St.	NW
..Factory/Tannery	Forest Ave.	NW
..Gas Works	Forest Ave.	NE
..Hotel	Congress St.	NW
..Hotel	Cross St.	NE
..Mill/City Grist & Flouring Mills	Cross St.	NE
..Mill/Woolen (2)	off Huron St.	NE/NW
..Plat/C. McCormick	Ellis St.	NW
..R.R.		NE/NW
..River/Huron		NE/NW
..School	Congress St.	NE
..School/State Normal	Forest Ave.	NW
..School/Union	Cross St.	NW
AMBROSE, A.	Cross St.	NW
AMBROSE, Wm.	Congress St.	NW
ANDREWS, F.	Huron St.	NW
AYERS, W.	Ellis St.	NW
B..., Mrs.	Ellis St.	NW
BICE, J.	Prospect St.	NE
BICKFORD, J.	Forest Ave.	NW
BRINKERHOFF, H. H.	Ellis St.	NW
BUCHANAN, G., Mr.	Hamilton St.	NW
BUCK, Allen, Est.	Forest Ave.	NW
BUCKBEE, E.	Pearl St.	NW
BUCKBEE, Mrs.	Congress St.	NW
BUCKLIN, A. P.	Huron St.	NW
BURT	River St.	NE

BURT, R.	Norris St.	NE	JARVIS, Wm.	Forest Ave.	NW
CAMPBELL, G.	Congress St.	NE	JENNES, J. S.	Forest Ave.	NW
CANWELL, A.	Ellis St.	NW	KELLY, Pat.	St. John St.	NW
CARPENTER, H	Prospect St.	NE	KENNEDY, John	along R.R.	NW
CARPENTER, O.	Congress St.	NE	KENNEDY, P.	Huron St.	NW
CARR, C., Mrs.	Ellis St.	NW	KINNE, R.	Adams St.	NW
CARROLL, P.	section 10	NE	LAKE	Forest Ave.	NE
CHILDS, H. S.	Hamilton St.	NW	LEE, G. W., Col.	Huron St.	NW
CLARK, W. B.	off Huron St.	NW	MAEGLE, J.	Congress St.	NE
COE, O. S., Miss	Huron St.	NW	MASON, S.	off Summit St.	NW
COLLINS, G. C.	Huron St.	NW	MATTHEWS, Mrs.	Forest Ave.	NW
CONKLIN, I. N.	Ellis St.	NW	McC..., C.	Cross St.	NW
CORDARY, N.	section 10	NE	McCAFFERTY	Huron St.	NW
CORNWELL, C.	off Huron St.	NW	McCARD	Huron St.	NW
CRAWFORD	off Ellis St.	NW	McCOLLOUGH, J.	Congress St.	NW
CROSS, Wm.	Congress St.	NW	McCORMICK, C.	off Ellis St.	NW
CROSS, Wm.	Summit St.	NW	McKINSTRY, Mrs.	Congress St.	NW
DeM...	Forest Ave.	NE	MENZIE, Mrs.	Hamilton St.	NW
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DUGAN, C., Mrs.	Congress St.	NW	MILLER, F.	Forest Ave.	NW
EARL, E. P.	off Summit St.	NW	MOORMAN, G.	Huron St.	NW
ELLIS, D. B.	Huron St.	NW	MUNSON, Mrs.	Hamilton St.	NW
ELY, M., Mrs.	Huron St.	NW	NAIL, J.	Norris St.	NE
EMERICK, B., Miss	Ellis St.	NW	NEWTON, D. B.	Ellis St.	NW
ESTABROOK, J.	Forest Ave.	NW	NEWTON, D. B.	off Ellis St.	NW
FERRIER, P.	River St.	NE	NINDE, T.	River St.	NE
FLETCHER, C.	River St.	NE	NORRIS, L. D. (2)	Forest Ave.	NE
FLOWERS, J. M.	Hamilton St.	NW	NORRIS, R. B., Mrs.	River St.	NE
FOOTE, E. M.	Forest Ave.	NW	O'BRIAN, P.	Huron St.	NW
GAGE, H.	Congress St.	NE	O'NEIL, O.	Congress St.	NW
GILBERT, John	High St.	NE	PARKER, J., Mrs.	Congress St.	NE
GILMORE, A.	Huron St.	NW	PATTISON, C.	section 10	NE
GOODRICH, A. H.	Huron St.	NW	PATTISON, C. R.	Huron St.	NW
GREEN, D. B.	Forest Ave.	NW	PEARSALL, H. L.	Hamilton St.	NW
GRIFFITH, A. A.	Huron St.	NW	PECK	Forest Ave.	NE
GROB, J.	Forest Ave.	NW	PECK, E.	Prospect St.	NE
GUNN, W.	Prospect St.	NE	PECK, G.	Norris St.	NE
HAMMOND, J. S.	Congress St.	NW	PECK, J.	Norris St.	NE
HARENS, J. G.	River St.	NE	PECK, J.	River St.	NE
HAWKINS, E. C.	Ellis St.	NW	PERKINS, A.	River St.	NE
HENDERSON, W. S.	Huron St.	NW	PETTIBONE, Wm.	Congress St.	NE
HENDRICKS, E.	Prospect St.	NE	PHILLIPS, W. H.	Huron St.	NW
HENDRICKS, P. (2)	Forest Ave.	NE	PORR, L.	River St.	NE
HERTS	section 10	NE	POST, S.	Cross St.	NW
HEWITT, E.	Ellis St.	NW	POST, Sam. (2)	Forest Ave.	NW
HEWITT, W.	Huron St.	NW	PUTNAM, Prof.	Forest Ave.	NW
HINKLEY, F.	Congress St.	NE	QUIRK, D. L.	Forest Ave.	NE
HOGAN, J.	Norris St.	NE	QUIRK, D. L.	Huron St.	NW
HOLMES, C.	Forest Ave.	NE	REDNER, H. C.	Forest Ave.	NW
HORRIGAN, Mrs.	River St.	NE	RICE, J.	Forest Ave.	NE
HUTCHINSON, James	River St.	NE	RICHARDS, H.	Forest Ave.	NW
JARVIS, C.	Forest Ave.	NW	RICHARDS, T. A.	Huron St.	NW
JARVIS, Wm.	along R.R.	NW	RORISON, D. B.	along R.R.	NW

RORISON, D. B.	Forest Ave.	NW	SWAINE, F. J.	Forest Ave.	NE
SANDERS, G.	Huron St.	NW	T..., J. N.	off Forest Ave.	NE
SASSENBERG, C.	Norris St.	NE	TERNS, J.	section 10	NE
SCHAFF, J.	section 10	NE	THORNTON, J.	St. John St.	NW
SHAW, Z.	Prospect St.	NE	TOOKER, H. H., Est.	River St.	NE
SHERRITT, Mrs.	Norris St.	NE	V..., G. N.	Forest Ave.	NW
SHOWERMAN, T.	Huron St.	NW	VAN VOSEN, R. W.	Ellis St.	NW
SKIFF, Mrs.	Norris St.	NE	W... & S...	Forest Ave.	NE
SKINNER, N. M., Mrs.	Congress St.	NW	WEBSTER	Congress St.	NW
SMITH, F.	Congress St.	NW	WELLS	River St.	NE
SMITH, F.	off Summit St.	NW	WELLS, S.	Congress St.	NW
SMITH, John	section 10	NE	WEYBURN, G.	River St.	NE
SMITH, Wm.	Hamilton St.	NW	WILSON, R.	Congress St.	NW
SNYDER, W.	Forest Ave.	NW	WORTLEY, Wm.	off Huron St.	NW
SNYDER, W.	Huron St.	NW	YATES, C.	Pearl St.	NW
SOBERS, O.	River St.	NE	YECKLEY, D.	River St.	NE
STARKWEATHER, John	off Ellis St.	NW	YORK, W.	Norris St.	NE
STEEVER, H.	Congress St.	NW	YOST, C.	River St.	NE
STUCK, Est.	Normal St.	NW			

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THE MISSES CLARK'S SCHOOL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE, 1856

NOTICE.

The 32d Semi-annual examination of "The Misses Clark's School" will commence on Wednesday, January 30, 1856, and occupy that and the two following days.

Wednesday, January 30, 9 to 12 o'clock A. M. the lessons in Meteorology, Geography, Geography of the Heavens, and Mental Arithmetic. Wednesday 2 o'clock, P. M. to 5, Algebra, Orthography and general Class.

Thursday, January 31 9 o'clock, A. M. to 12, the lessons in Chemistry, Practical Arithmetic, and Universal History. Thursday 2 o'clock P. M. to 5, Kames' elements of Criticism, American History, Mythology, English History, Composition, and Singing classes.

Friday, February 1st, 9 o'clock, A. M. to 12, the lessons in Grammar, Parsing and Natural Philosophy. Friday, half past 2 o'clock, P. M. to 5, Music, reading the original compositions, Watch, An unpleasant day, Common sense, Tombs, The contrast, Memories, Sounds, Cant phrases, More beyond, Words, Giving Certificates to graduates, Music, Reading 12th No. of 17th Vol. of "The Wild Flower," a semi-monthly periodical of the school.

MARY H. CLARK,

Ann Arbor, January 11, 1856. Principal.

The Ann Arbor Journal, 16 Jan 1856, p. 2, col. 6.

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DONNA MARIE (RIDENOUR) THAYER

4 OCTOBER 1935 – 4 SEPTEMBER 2015

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REV. FRIEDRICH SCHMID'S BAPTISMAL RECORDS, 1847–1875, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
(Part Four)

Translated & transcribed by Rob Steward, 2015

(*Continued from Vol. 38, No.4, pgs. 67–73)*

The original records of Rev. Friedrich Schmid are currently housed and may be accessed in The Michigan Historical Collections, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Please note that the handwriting of Rev. Schmid is not easily deciphered, in part due to his penmanship. The records contain entries written in old German script and some using English script. In addition, the pages in his records are not numbered. It is our understanding that he kept notes as he traveled and then entered them into his record books when he returned home. This may explain that while the records are fairly complete there are some gaps or omissions.

We have maintained the spelling Rev. Schmid used in the case of names and places. Items enclosed in parentheses are usually comments or notes of the translators or indicate alternate spellings. The term "geb." refers to "born as" or maiden name.

Rev. Schmid's Baptismal Records are in column format as follows:
(Left hand pages – a.) "Chronological Number" of the child for that particular year; Name of Child; Parents Names; Place; Birth Date.
(Right hand pages – b.) Baptismal Date and Place; Sponsors Names (sometimes marital status or relationship of the sponsors are listed).
Columns with no entry or missing information are indicated by three hyphens (---).

Year 1851 (continued)

27a. Maria (Rothardt); Joh. M. Rothardt; Maria Rothardt; Ann Arbor; 25 Mar. 1851;
27b. 6 April (18)51; Christian Roth; and Barb Lutz, single.
28a. Carl (Stierle); Jakob Stierle; Regi. Stierle; Freedom; 2 Apr. (18)51;
28b. 11 Apr. (18)51; Jak. Laubengaier; and wife of Fr. Gross; and wife of D. Haas.
29a. Elisabeth (Schmid); Joh. Georg Schmid; M. Schmid; Lodi; 30 Mar. (18)51;
29b. 12 Apr. (18)51; David Enis; Elis. Schmid, single.
30a. Johannes (Bischof); Joh. Bischof; Marg. Bischof; Ann Arbor; 18 Mar. (18)51;
30b. 12 Apr. (18)51; the parents.
31a. Christina Emilie (Dehme); Chri. Fr. Dehme; Christina Dehme; Livingston Co.; 5 Nov.1850;
31b. 13 Apr (18)51; Carl Groszsteck; Christof Krause; J. Rauscher; M. Euler, single.
32a. Willhelm David (Baraith); Joh. Baraith; Barb. Baraith; Ann Arbor; 8 Apr. (18)51;
32b. 13 Apr. (18)51; A. Hutzel; and Cath. Metzger, single.
33a. August Friedrich (Althoun); Fridr. Althoun; Magdl. Althoun; Freedom; 28 (*sic*) Apr. (18)51;
33b. 20 Apr. (18)51; Daniel Strieter; and his wife, grandparents; and wife of Fr. Zahn.
34a. Willhelm Harason (Müller); J. Georg Müller; ---; Freedom; ---;
34b. 20 Apr. (18)51; Jakob Paul; and wife of Gottf. Müller.
35a. Barbara (Schlee); Joh. Schlee; Barb. Schlee; Lodi; 15 Apr. (18)51;
35b. 20 Apr. (18)51; Fr. Laubengaier; and his wife.
36a. Willhelm Heinrich (Petershans); Mich. Petershans; D. Petershans; Plymouth; 6 Mar. (18)51;
36b. 21 Apr. (18)51; Chr. Fischer; and Friedrica gb.(born) Müller.
37a. Louise (Jedele); Joseph Jedele; Elis. Jedele; Lodi; 23 Apr. (18)51;
37b. 28 Apr. (18)51; Jakob Jedele; and his wife.

38a. Willh. Gottfried (Beck); Lud. Beck; Barb. Beck; Lodi; 23 Apr. (18)51;
38b. 3 May. (18)51; Fr. Schmid; and wife of Ja. Beck.
39a. Johannes (Strieter); Joh. Strieter; Louise Strieter, Bridgewater; ---;
39b. 4 May (18)51; Carl Müller; and his wife.
40a. Joh. Jacob (Jedele); Jak. Jedele; Martha Jedele; Scio, 8 May (18)51;
40b. 12 May (18)51; Jakob Röhm; and Mar. Jedele, single.
41a. Ernst Emannuel (Mann); Eman. Mann; Anna; Ann Arbor; 21 Apr. (18)51;
41b. 16 May (18)51; the parents.
42a. Willhelmina Pauline (Faber); --- Faber; ---; Freedom; ---;
42b. 18 May (18)51; Joh. Strieter; and his wife.
43a. Joh. Georg (Stollsteimer); Joh. Georg Stollsteimer; Maria Stollsteimer; Scio; 12 May (18)51;
43b. 24 May (18)51; Abr. Hirt; and his wife; and grandmother Pfeifle.
44a. Johann Carl (Stollsteimer); Jacob Stollsteimer; Friedrica Stollsteimer; Freedom; 1 Jun. (18)51;
44b. 7 Jun. (18)51; Fr. Stollsteimer, and his wife.
45a. Ammalie (Kaiser); Christian Kaiser; Hanna Kaiser; Ann Arbor; 21 Mar. (18)51;
45b. 8 Jun. (18)51; the parents.
46a. Joh. Jacob (Stäbler); Fr. Stäbler; Cath. Stäbler; Lodi; 9 Jun. (18)51;
46b. 12 Jun. (18)51; Jakob Stäbler; and wife of J. G. Zahn.
47a. Will. Heinrich (Pfitzenmaier); G. Pfitzenmaier; Fr. Pfitzenmaier; Lodi; 18 Jun. (18)51;
47b. 21 Jun. (18)51; Joh. Reinfrank; and his wife; and wife of Fr. Pfitzenmaier.
48a. Anna Maria (Lepumt); Simon Lepumt; Cath. Lepumt; Freedom; 10 Apr. (18)51;
48b. 22 Jun. (18)51; Philipp Becker; and his wife, grandparents.
49a. Joh. Peter (Bus); Peter Bus; Friedr. Bus; Freedom; 11 Jun. (18)51;
49b. 22 Jun. (18)51; Friedrich Häussler.
50a. Eduard Christian (Schleicher); Gottl. Schleicher; M. Schleicher; Ann Arbor; 26 May (18)51;
50b. 22 Jun. (18)51; Louis Schleicher; and his wife.
51a. Johannes (Schweitzer); Jacob Schweitzer; Angnes (*sic*) Schweitzer; Lodi; 24 Jun. (18)51;
51b. 5 Jul. (18)51; Joh. Schaible; and wife of R. Kern.
52a. Elisabeth (Schäfer); Jacob Schäfer; M. Schäfer; Freedom, 13 Jun. (18)51;
52b. 5 Jul. (18)51; J. Schäfer; and wife of J. Berg.
53a. Catharina (Götz); Joh. Götz; Barb. Götz; Ann Arbor; 29 Jun. (18)51;
53b. 6 Jul. (18)51; Fr. Ruf; S. Katz; M. Seger; and Cath. Roehm.
54a. Christina (Kirn); J. Kirn; M. Kirn; Ann Arbor; 30 Jun. (18)51;
54b. 13 Jul. (18)51; Martin Braun; and his wife.
55a. Maria Friedrica (Fiegel); Jak. Fiegel; Fried. Fiegel; Freedom; 14 Jul. (18)51;
55b. 21 Jul. (18)51; Carl Fr. Wieland; and wife of Chr. Burkhardt; and grandmother Fiegel.
56a. Joseph (Maas); Tho. Maas; Cath. Maas; Lodi; 14 Jul. (18)51;
56b. 26 Jul. (18)51; Christian Ugele; and wife of J. Schweiger.
57a. Eva (Bonett); Chr. Bonett; M. Bonett; Lodi; 19 Jul. (18)51;
57b. 26 Jul. (18)51; Joseph Jedele; and wife of Florian Mühling (*sic*).
58a. Willhelme Fridrica (Schmid); Valath. Schmid ; M. Schmid; Bridgewater; 6 Jul. (18)51;
58b. 26 Jul. (18)51; J. Henke; and his wife.
59a. Joh. Jacob (Ugele); Christ. Ugele; M. Ugele; Freedom; 11 Jul. (18)51;
59b. 27 Jul. (18)51; Jakob Stollsteimer; and his wife.
60a. Jacob Friedrich (Roller); M. Roller; Ca. Roller; Ann Arbor; 10 Jul. (18)51;
60b. 27 Jul. (18)51; Fr. Stäbler; and his wife.
61a. Willhelm Franklin (Wildt); E. Wildt; Chr. Wildt; Ann Arbor; 27 Jun. (18)51;
61b. 27 Jul. (18)51; A. Hutzel; and his wife; A. Kirn, and his wife.
62a. Abraham (Raus); Peter Raus; Sara Raus; Lodi; 21 Jul. (18)51;
62b. 28 Jul. (18)51; Abr. Däuble; and his wife.

63a. Maria (Kärcher); Joh. G. Kärcher; Chr. Kärcher; Lodi; 22 Jul. (18)51;
63b. 9 Aug. (18)51; Jerimias Lutz, single; wife of Joh. Schaible; and Da. Kärcher, single.
64a. Catharina (Renstler); Fr. Renstler; Onig. Renstler; Freedom; 26 Jul. (18)51;
64b. 10 Aug. (18)51; Math. Schaible; and his wife.
65a. Joh. Friedrich (Raus); Joh. Raus; Cath. Raus; Ann Arbor; 28 Jul. (18)51.
65b. 10 Aug. (18)51; Florian Mühlig; and his wife; Chr. Lindle, single.
66a. Georg Friedrich (Lutz); G. Fr. Lutz; Friedrica Lutz; Ann Arbor; 12 Jul. (18)51;
66b. 10 Aug. (18)51; the parents.
67a. Cath. Barbara (Brenner); Chr. Brenner; Cath. Brenner; Scio; 13 Aug. (18)51;
67b. 19 Aug. (18)51; Mich. Stein; and wife of J. G. Schlee.
68a. Anna Maria unehl.[*illegitimate*] (Bonett); Math. Bonett; Elis. Kläger; Scio; 17 Aug. (18)51;
68b. 19 Aug. (18)51; Conradt Schmalzrieth; and A. Maria Stein, single.
69a. Conradt (Mehrle); --- Mehrle; --- Mehrle; Bridgewater; 6 Aug. (18)51;
69b. 30 Aug. (18)51; Conradt Hildinger; and his wife.
70a. Carl Friedrich (Burkhardt); Fried. Burkhardt; Margr. Burkhardt; Freedom; 13 Mar. (18)51;
70b. 31 Aug. (18)51; Abr. Burkhardt; and his wife.
71a. Christopf (Heintzman); Jakob Heintzman; Chr. Heintzman; Ann Arbor; 12 Aug. (18)51;
71b. 31 Aug. (18)51; J. Heintzmann (shoemaker); and his wife.
72a. Christian (Gänssle); Martin Gänssle; A. Maria Gänssle; Freedom; 31 Aug. (18)51;
72b. 6 Sep. (18)51; Math. Schaible; and his wife.
73a. Joh. David (Kern); Rudolf Kern; Maria Kern; Scio; 24 Aug. (18)51;
73b. 7 Sep. (18)51; Edwin Kern; Barb. Schweiger, single.
74a. Maria Pauline (Koch); Jakob Koch; M. Koch; Freedom; 31 Aug. (18)51;
74b. 12 Sep. (18)51; J. G. Stäbler, grandfather; and wife of Fr. Pfitzenmaier.
75a. Blandina Elisabeth (Gattman); Joh. Gattman; Cath. Gattman; Freedom; 11 Sep. (18)51;
75b. 18 Sep. (18)51; Carl and Michael Schenk; and Blandina Schenk, single.
76a. Juliana Carolina (Lorenz); S. Lorenz; Barb. Lorenz; Waterloo; 3 Jul. (18)50;
76b. 21 Sep. (18)51; J. Schneckenberger, single.
77a. Sariana (Landes); Joh. Landes; M. Landes; Waterloo; 9 Sep. (18)51;
77b. 21 Sep. (18)51; Da. J. Wohner; and his wife.
78a. Michael (Reithmüller); Joh. Reithmüller; Ca. Reithmüller; Waterloo; 16 Sep. (18)51;
78b. 21 Sep. (18)51; Mich. Reithmüller; and his wife.
79a. Joh. Martin (Herr); Jak. Herr; Marg. Herr; Waterloo; 2 Sep. (18)51;
79b. 21 Sep. (18)51; Martin Heidlauf; and wife of M. Sattler.
80a. Mathilde Catharina (Killinger); Christ. Killinger; Marg. Killinger; Freedom; 9 Sep. (18)51;
80b. 28 Sep. (18)51; Jak. Strieter; and wife of J. Messerschmidt.
81a. Maria Carolina (Heimerdinger); Ul. Heimerdinger; M. Heimerdinger; Freedom; 1 Sep. (18)51;
81b. 28 Sep. (18)51; Carl Hornung; and M. Bollinger, single.
82a. Jac. Friedrich (Sommer); Ludwig Sommer; ---; Ypsilanti; 1 Sep. (18)51;
82b. 30 Sep. (18)51; J. Sommer; and his wife, grandparents.
83a. Anna Maria (Heist); Adam Heist; Beate Heist; Saline; 6 Aug. (18)51;
83b. 13 Oct. (18)51; Da. Heist; and Cath. Klein, single.
84a. Fr. Abraham (Beck); Ja. Beck; Cath. Beck; Scio; 7 Oct. 1849;
84b. 17 Oct. (18)51; Mich. Fritz; and grandmother Beck.
85a. Cath. Madillte (*sic*) (Fiegel); J. G. Fiegel; Ca. Fiegel; Freedom; 1 Oct. 1849;
85b. 18 Oct. (18)51; Ja. Strieter; and Christina Fiegel.
86a. Carl Willhelm (Bleicher); Carl Bleicher; Ann Bleicher; Ann Arbor; 9 Oct. (18)51;
86b. 19 Oct. (18)51; J. Rauschenberger; and Cath. Burkhardt, single.
87a. Johannes (Mögel); J. G. Mögel; M. Mögel; Waterloo; 12 Oct. 1851;
87b. 25 Oct. (18)51; Joh. Archenbron; and his wife.

88a. A. Maria (Koch); Ad. Koch; M. Koch; Ann Arbor; 3 May. (18)51;
88b. 26 Oct. (18)51; Justus Schmid grandfather; and A. Maria Schmid, single.
89a. Cath. Barbara (Hildinger); J. Hildinger; C. Hildinger; Bridgewater; 24 Oct. 1851;
89b. 6 Nov. (18)51; Conradt Hildinger; and wife of J. Mehrle.
90a. Christian Albert (Wolf); J. Wolf; M. Wolf; Freedom; 18 Oct. (18)51;
90b. 6 Nov. (18)51; Fr. Wolf; and wife of --- Oberschmidt .
91a. Jacob Friedrich (Stäbler); Fr. Stäbler; M. Stäbler; Lodi; 31 Oct. (18)51;
91b. 9 Nov. (18)51; J. Stäbler, single; and wife of Tho. Maas.
92a. Maria Barbara (Fritz); Mich. Fritz; Barb. Fritz; Ann Arbor; 19 Oct. (18)51;
92b. 15 Nov. (18)51; Ludwig Fritz; and wife of J. Beck.
93a. Friderica (Grossmann); Christian Grossmann; Carol. Grossmann; Ann Arbor; 4 Nov. (18)51;
93b. 16 Nov. (18)51; Martin Jedele; and Fridrica Katz, single.
94a. Albert (Stein); --- Stein; --- Stein; Ann Arbor; 2 Nov. (18)51;
94b. 26 Nov. (18)51; the parents.
95a. Anna Maria (Marquart); Phil. Marquart; Cath. Marquart; Freedom; 17 Nov. (18)51;
95b. 29 Nov. (18)51; Joh. G. Gross; and his wife; and J. G. Niesle; and wife of Mich. Heimerdinger.
96 a. Christiana (Walz); J. Walz; M. Walz; Freedom; 22 Nov. 1851;
96b. 6 Dec. (18)51; J. G. Maser; and Barb. Bengel.
97a. Christina Barbara (Maser); J. G. Maser; Christ. Maser; Freedom; 28 Nov. (18)51;
97b. 6 Dec. (18)51; Fr. Schmid, Senior; and his wife;
98a. Louise Fridrica (Strieter); Joh. Strieter; L. Strieter; Freedom; 10 Nov. (18)51;
98b. 6 Dec. (18)51; Ad. Obermüller; and his wife.
99a. Maria Elisabeth (Reÿer); Paul Reÿer; M. Reÿer; Bridgewater; 13 Nov. (18)51;
99b. 6 Dec. (18)51; Joh. Reÿer; and his wife.
100a. Herrmann Friedrich (Röhm); W. Röhm; M. Röhm; Bridgewater; 14 Nov. (18)51;
100b. 6 Dec. (18)51; Willh. Reinfrank; and his wife.
101a. Carolina Emilie (Trinkaus); Peter Trinkaus; Fridrica Trinkaus; Plymouth; 3 Oct. (18)51;
101b. 14 Dec. (18)51; the parents.
102a. Christina (Mohrhardt); Jak. Mohrhardt; M. Mohrhardt; Lodi; 29 Oct. (18)51;
102b. 20 Dec. (18)51; Joh. Schaible; and his wife.
103a. Maria Cath. (Hitt); J. Hitt; Cath. Hitt; Bridgewater; 3 Dec. (18)51;
103b. 20 Dec. (18)51; Carl Muller; and his wife; and wife of J. Schmalzried.
104a. Joh. Conradt (Keihle); Ph. Keihle; Ld. Keihle; Bridgewater; 2 Dec. (18)51;
104b. 20 Dec. (18)51; Conradt Schmalzried; and Cath. Reiser.
105a. Christiana (Braun); Joh. Braun; Chr. Braun; Ann Arbor; 23 Nov. (18)51;
105b. 21 Dec. (18)51; Fr. Ziegler; and his wife; and widow Schuhmacher.
106a. Georg (Henne); J. G. Henne; Ch. Henne; Ann Arbor; ---;
106b. 25 Dec. (18)51; J. G. Henne; and Maria Jedele, single.
107a. ---(Metzger); --- Metzger; --- Metzger; Waterloo; ---;
107b. 26 Dec. (18)51; Martin Heidlauf; and his wife.
108a. Jul Louise (Freiermuth); J. Freiermuth; Barb. Freiermuth; Waterloo; 20 Dec. (18)51;
108b. 26 Dec. (18)51; --- Hanewald; and his wife.
109a. Joh. Jacob (Gutekunst); J. Gutekunst; Joh. Gutekunst; Waterloo; 3 Dec. (18)51;
109b. 26 Dec. (18)51; Jakob Arzt; and his wife.
110a. Jul. Louise (Hutzel); Carl Hutzel; Dor. Hutzel; Lima; 22 Oct. (18)51;
110b. 27 Dec. (18)51; J. G. Hutzel; and Louise Luic, single.
111a. Joh. Jacob (Reichert); J. Reichert; Ch. Reichert; Freedom; 20 Dec.(18)51;
111b. 27 Dec. (18)51; Jacob Jedele; and his wife.

(To be continued)

WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, CIRCUIT COURT PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATION, November, 1916–3 March 1917 (Part One)

Abstracted by Marty Carr and Tim Salatin

This set of Washtenaw Circuit Court naturalizations 'second papers' begins with record number 400 and is from Volume III of the records from the Washtenaw County Clerk which may be viewed on microfilm at the State Archives of Michigan, Lansing, Michigan. We are grateful to the Archives for granting permission for them to be published here. The records detail name, occupation, birth date and place, where emigrated from, port of arrival, the name of the vessel, declaration date, marital status, wife's name, her birth place, children's names, dates and places of birth and residence, petitioner's dates of residence in United States and in Michigan, and signature of petitioner. In addition, the records list witness information as follows: name, residence, known petitioner since date, resident of Michigan since date. Certificate numbers are written on most of the records. A copy of the petitioner's Declaration of Intention is sometimes attached to the petition. The names of the clerks and judges were not abstracted. Person, as well as birth, emigration, and arrival place names are spelled as entered on the petition.

The following abbreviations are used: *Adm.*= admitted to citizenship, *Arr.* = arrival, *b.* = born, *bp.* = birthplace, *CC.* = Circuit Court, *cert.* = certificate, *ch.* = children, *Decl. of Int.* = Declaration of Intention, *Em.* = emigrated, *Ht.* = height, *occ.* = occupation, *Pet.* = petition, *Ren.* = renounced, *Res.* = resides, *Wits.* = Witnesses, [*] = born less than 100 years ago.

Note: The previous sets of Volume III naturalizations begin in *Capers*, Vol. 22, No. 3, p. 55. and run through *Capers*, Vol. 25, No. 4.

400. BENJAMIN BERUL GORDON, 533 Church St., Ann Arbor; occ. Student; b. 1 May 1891, Lechowitz, Russia; Em. 18 Aug 1906 from Hamburg, Germany; Arr. 5 Sep 1906 in New York on *Pisa;* Decl. of Int. filed 5 Aug 1914 at Superior Court of New London County, CT. [*From Decl. of Int.*: white, dark complexion, Ht. 5' 4", 130 lbs., black hair, brown eyes, small scar on end of left forefinger, Res. 55 Hempstead St., New London, CT.]; not married; no children; Ren. Nicholas II, Emperor of all Russias; Res. continuously in US since 5 Sep 1906, in MI since 5 Oct 1913; Wits.: Arthur L. Murray, student, and Carlton F. Small, student, both of Ann Arbor; known since 30 Sep 1911, Res. MI since 5 Oct 1913. Pet. 11 Nov 1916. Amended 28 Feb 1917.

401. ARSEN MINAS BOYAJIAN, 500 East Williams St., Ann Arbor; occ. Student; b. 1 Dec 1888, Marash, Armenia Turkey; Em. 4 Sep 1909 from Havre, France; Arr. 14 Sep 1909 in New York on *La Cascogne*; Decl. of Int. filed 24 Sep 1914, Detroit, MI, US Dist. Court, MI.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: occ. machinist, white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 7 ½", 130 lbs., hair dk. brown, eyes blue, Res. 427 Ash St., Detroit, MI.]; not married; no children; Ren. Mohammed V, Sultan of Turkey; Res. continuously in US since 14 Sep 1909, in MI since 25 Aug 1914; Wits.: Godfrey B. Attmer, clerk, and Thorna M Iden, teacher, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 15 Oct 1914. Pet. 25 Nov 1916. Adm. 28 Feb 1917.

402. JAMES BAIRD, Shelby St., Utica, MI; occ. Teacher; b. 4 Mar 1889, Galt, Ontario, Canada; Em. 1 Jan 1909 from Windsor, Canada; Arr. 1 Jan 1909 in Detroit on Canadian Pacific Railroad; Decl. of Int. filed 18 Jul 1914 [*court name not entered*]; wife Hazel Irene b. 6 May 1889, Jerry City, Ohio; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 1 Jan 1909, in MI since 25 Jun 1912; Wits.: Fred F. Ashley, automobile mechanic, and Grace Ashley, housewife, both of Detroit; known since 15 Aug 1911, Res. MI since 16 Aug 1911. Pet. 2 Dec 1916. Pet. Denied 9 May 1917; petitioner was a resident of another county and petition was erroneously made in Washtenaw Co.

403. ALEXANDER OGILVY, Ann Arbor Twp., RFD 6; occ. Stonemason; b. 25 Sep 1873, Alyth, Scotland; Em. 1 Jun 1907 from Glasgow, Scotland; Arr. 8 Jun 1907 in New York on *Caledonia*; Decl. of Int. filed 19 Apr 1910, Common Pleas Court, Lorain Co., OH; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: white, light complexion, Ht. 5' 8", 166 lbs., hair brown, eyes blue, Res. 21 Main St., Oberlin, OH]; wife Georgina b. 19 Dec 1876, Dundee, Scotland; 1 child, James Alexander, Res. Ann Arbor Twp. RFD 6; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 8 Jun 1907, in MI since 12 Jun 1912; Wits.: Louis H. J. Lucas, bricklayer, and Plyimy B. Harding, upholsterer, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 12 Jun 1912. Pet. 2 Dec 1916. Adm. 6 Jun 1917. #721,618.

404. JOHN GOTTLIEB OELKA, Milan, Augusta Twp.; occ. Farming; b. 11 Jul 1874, Barschine, Germany; Em. 1 Apr 1875 from Statine, Germany; Arr. 20 Apr 1875 in New York on *Franklin*; Decl. of Int. filed 12 Dec 1914, CC. of Washtenaw Co. [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 10", 155 lbs., hair brown, eyes blue]; wife Jennie b. 25 Apr 1881, Augusta Twp., MI; 2 ch.: Lee b. 10 Jun 1911, Augusta Twp., Res. Augusta Twp., and Bertha b. 10 Aug 1915, Augusta Twp., Res. Augusta Twp.; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 20 Apr 1875, in MI since 24 Apr 1875; Wits.: William Robbins, retired farmer, Adrian, MI, and William H. Murray, attorney, Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 1 Jun 1902. Pet. 12 Dec 1916. Adm. Dec 1918.

405. JOHN WRIGHT, Ypsilanti Twp.; occ. Farming; b. 7 Feb 1890, Compton, England; Em. 2 Mar 1910 from Southampton, England; Arr. 10 Mar 1910 in New York on *St. Louis*; Decl. of Int. filed 21 Jan 1913, CC. Washtenaw Co. [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 4", 135 lbs., hair auburn, eyes blue]; wife Theodosia Ferndonia[*?*], b. 18 Apr 1877? (1882)[*sic*], Hancock Co., OH; 1 child, Howard, b. [*], Res. Ypsilanti Twp.; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 10 Mar 1910, in MI since 12 Mar 1910; Wits.: John Cosgrove, farming, and Ira B. Fuller, farming, both of Ypsilanti Twp. RFD 2; known and Res. MI since 15 Jul 1910. Pet. 6 Jan 1917. Adm. 6 Jun 1917. #731,615.

406. LUDWIG HERDLITZKA, 403 W. Madison St., Ann Arbor; occ. Chef; b. 25 Oct 1882, Vienna, Austria; Em. 1 Dec 1906 from Montreal, Canada; Arr. 2 Dec 1906 in New York on *City of New York*; Decl. of Int. 9 Nov 1911, Supreme Court of the State of New York First Judicial [*illegible*], New York City; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: white, fair complexion, 5' 6", 150 lbs., hair brown, eyes gray, Em. from Montreal, Canada on NY Central RR, Res. 331 E. 61st St., New York City, NY]; wife Hermine Silberberg b. 23 Dec 1882, Holienlinburg, Germany; no ch.; Ren. Francis Joseph, Emperor of Austria and Apostolic King of Hungary; Res. continuously in US since 2 Dec 1906, in MI since 18 Apr 1915; Wits.: Walter C. Mack, merchant, and Henry J. Mann, insurance and loans, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 18 Apr 1915. Pet. 9 Jan 1917. Adm. 6 Jun 1917. #731,619. [*Note: Ann Arbor City Directory shows surname changed to HERD.*]

407. HERBERT WILLIAM EMERSON, 411 E. William St., Ann Arbor; occ. Dir. Of Pasteur Institute, Univ. of MI; b. 6 Oct 1880, Milton, Ontario; Em. 1 Oct 1898 from Sarnia, Ontario; Arr. 1 Oct 1898 in Port Huron, MI on train Grand Trunk RR; Decl. of Int. filed 19 Jun 1901, CC. Washtenaw Co.; wife Hermine Pollman b. 23 Apr 1884, La Cygne, Russia; no ch.; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 1 Oct 1898, in MI since 1 Oct 1913; Wits.: Edgar C. Edsill, druggist, and Paul H. De Kruif, bacteriologist, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 1 Oct 1913. Pet. 21 Jan 1917. Adm. 7 Jun 1917. #731,622.

408. GUSTAV JOHN LEUNEBERG, Dexter Twp. RR1; occ. Farming; b. 26 Sep 1872, Rogasen, Province Posen, Germany; Em. 20 Jun 1891 from Hamburg; Arr. 4 Jul 1891 in New York on *Raetia*; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 6", hair brown, eyes brown; wife Mary Schneider b. 9 Jun 1877, Freedom Twp.; five ch.: Bertha b. 24 Jun 1898, Scio Twp., Clara b. 27 Sep 1899, Scio Twp., Herman b. 27 Jan 1902, Lodi Twp., Walter b. 3 Jul 1905, Lodi Twp., Carl b. 13 May 1911, Lodi Twp.; all Res. Dexter Twp; Ren. William II, German Emperor. Res.

continuously in US since 4 Jul 1891, in MI since 6 Jul 1891; Wits.: Andrew Reule, clothing dealer, and William S. Conlin, clothing dealer, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 25 Mar 1896. Pet. 8 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Oct 1918. #1,074,236. [*Attached affidavit states* "I read the local papers and became suspicious that perhaps I was not a citizen. I immediately went with my brother Julius to Ex. Prov. Attorney George Burke to whom we told all the facts. He informed us that we were not citizens. I was thunderstruck. We left forthwith for the County Clerks office where we applied for citizenship. I have voted for 22 years".]

409. JULIUS HENRY LEUNEBERG, 610 Gott St., Ann Arbor; occ. Contractor; b. 26 Apr 1876, Rogasen, Prov. Posen, Germany; Em. 1 Oct 1894 from Bremen, Arr. 15 Oct 1894 in Baltimore on "don't know"; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; wife Caroline Boch b. 7 Nov 1873,Wakesha [*sic*], WI; one child, Henry Julius b. 17 Jun 1911, Ann Arbor, Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 15 Oct 1884, in MI since 17 Oct 1884; Wits.: Fred Brown, saloonkeeper, and Julius H. Roomke, contractor, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 1 Jun 1909. Pet. 8 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Dec 1918. #1,074,237.

410. EMIL HERMAN LENEBERG, 531 Second St., Ann Arbor; occ. Painter; b. 10 Oct 1881, Rogasen, Prov. Posen, Germany; Em. 5 Oct 1897 from Bremen, Germany; Arr. 15 Oct 1897 in Baltimore on "don't know"; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 8", hair brown, eyes brown; wife Martha b. 10 Sep 1887, near Berlin, Germany; one child, Alfreda Martha b. [*], Ann Arbor, Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 15 Oct 1897, in MI since 17 Oct 1897; Wits.: Carl A. Lehman, Attorney at Law, and George W. Sample, Attorney at Law, both of Ann Arbor; known and Res. MI since 1 May 1909. Pet. 9 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Dec 1918. #1,074,233. [*Attached affidavit states* "I was told by others that anybody who came to this country before he was of age could vote. I believed I was a citizen until the night of Feby. 8 when my brother [*illegible*] who lives on Gott St. called me up by phone and told me I was not a citizen. The next morning I came to the County Clerks office and put in my petition. I have voted many times starting when I was twenty-one."]

411. JACOB WEBER, 809 Brook St., Ann Arbor; occ. Teaming, etc.; b. 30 Jun 1855 Kirchenstellenfurth, Germany; Em. 1 Jun 1865 from Hamburg; Arr. 19 Jun 1865 in New York on "don't recollect"; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; wife Pauline Fiegel b. 22 Mar 1861 Freedom Twp., Washtenaw Co.; four ch.: Alma Helber nee Weber b. 27 Sep 1890, Alfred b. 19 Nov 1893, Clara b. 26 Apr 1898, Edwin b. 26 Jul 1902, all b. Freedom Twp. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 19 Jun 1865, in MI since 21 Jun 1865; Wits.: George J. Mann, retired, and Otto E. Haab, atty., both of Ann Arbor; known since 10 Apr 1892; Pet. 10 Feb 1917. Adm. 1 Mar 1918. Cert. #1074, 268. [*Attached affidavit states* "I think I was 22 in 1877 when I was told by the neighbors of mine in Lodi Township that I should come to the town meeting and vote. I do not recollect who these were. I have continued voting ever since. A year ago I was told by Fred Wedmann of Bridgewater Twp. who had just taken out his citizen papers that I had better examine and find out if I was a citizen. I have voted in good faith ever since my first vote."]

412. DAVID WILD, 538 Second St., Ann Arbor; occ. Tailor; b. 18 May 1862, Leinfelden, Germany; Em. 4 Mar 1886 from Bremen; Arr. 19 Mar 1886 in New York on *Elbe*; Decl. of Int. filed 16 Feb 1888 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; white, dark complexion, 5' 4", black hair and eyes; wife Pauline Seyfried b. 1 Jul 1867, Goettingen, Germany; four ch.: Martha b. 2 Feb 1901, Oscar b. 28 Feb 1903, Clara b. 14 Feb 1905, Paul b. 3 Mar 1907, all b. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 22 Mar 1886, in MI since 15 Jan 1888; Wits.: Gottlieb H. Wild, merchant tailor and Delbert R. Mallory, clerk, both of Ann Arbor; known since 15 Sep 1892. Pet. 10 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Dec 1918. Cert. #1074,232.

413. FREDERICK ULLRICH, 515 Fifth St., Ann Arbor; occ. Laborer; b. 31 Mar 1871, Lewin, Germany; Em. 3 Sep 1888 from Bremen; Arr. 17 Sep 1888 in Baltimore on *Rhine*; Decl. of Int. filed 28 Oct 1892 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; white, fair complexion, 5' 6", brown hair, blue eyes, mole on right cheek; wife Bertha Pauline Mohke[?] b. 27 Oct 1876, Rosenfield, Germany; six ch.: Selma Bertha b. 20 Apr 1901, Frederick Carl b. 13 Jan 1904, William Raymond b. 6 Jul 1906, Bertha Matilda b. 15 Oct 1908, Carl Raymond b. 29 Oct 1912, Mary Margaret b. 3 April 1915; all b. Ann Arbor and Res. with parents; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 17 Sep 1888, in MI since 19 Sep 1888; Wits.: Christian Schlenker, hardware dealer, and Albert S. Lutz, shoe dealer, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Apr 1900. Pet. 12 Feb 1917. Adm. 3 Dec 1918. Cert. #1074,202.

414. HERMAN FRED FOLSKE, 104 S. Ingall St., Ann Arbor; occ. Automobile Salesman; b. 5 Dec 1888, Schlossberg, Germany; Em. 4 Apr 1889 from Bremen; Arr. 18 Apr 1889 in Baltimore on "do not recollect"; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; wife Kathleen Triera[?] Kilbourn b. 16 Jan 1888 Corunna, MI; one ch.: Kilbourn Frederick Folske b. [*], b. Ann Arbor and Res. with parents; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 18 Apr 1889, in MI since 20 Apr 1889; Wits.: George W. Sample, attorney, and John W. Wagner, real estate agent, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Apr 1903. Petition denied 24 December 1918. Petitioner did not come under act on account of age, born Dec. 5, 1888 to be eligible should be born not later than May 1st 1905. [*Attached affidavit states* "George W. Wagner of Ann Arbor informed me when I became of age that I was a citizen and it was all right for me to go ahead and vote. I talked with George W. Sample atty Jan 9 '17 From reading a civil course application blank, I had become suspicious of my citizenship and he informed me I was not a citizen. I have voted since I was 21 years old."]

415. WILLIAM CLARK, 620 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor; occ. Laborer; b. 6 Nov 1848, Wisbech, England; Em. 4 Nov 1874 from Sarnia, Ontario; Arr. 4 Nov 1874 in Port Huron, MI on car ferry; Decl. of Int. filed 28 Nov 1892 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: last foreign residence was Wisbech, England, white, fair complexion, Ht. 5' 3", 135 lbs., gray hair, brown eyes, no visible distinctive marks]; wife Caroline Windsor b. 5 Nov 1848, Wisbech, England; four ch.: Agnes Clark Parsons b. 27 Jul 1870, Wisbech, England, Res. Dexter Twp., Arthur b. 28 Mar 1875, Webster Twp., Res. Dexter Twp., William E. b. 18 Aug 1877, Webster Twp., Res. Ann Arbor, Frances Clark Kuehn b. 3 Jun 1880, Webster Twp., Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 6 Nov 1874, in MI since 6 Nov 1874; Wits.: Clinton J. Snyder, contractor, and Fred Brown[?], saloonkeeper, both of Ann Arbor; known since 25 July 1890. Pet. 15 Feb 1917. Adm. 6 Jun 1917. Cert. #731,617.

416. HENRY STEINIGEWEG, (no number) Water St., Manchester, MI; occ. Retired Farmer; b. 15 Oct 1860 Mettengen, Germany; Em. 1 Jun 1882 from Bremen; Arr. 14 Jun 1882 in Baltimore on "don't recollect"; Decl. of Int. filed 3 Oct 1883 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; white, light complexion, brown hair, brown eyes, forefinger on right hand off; wife Mary Pepar b. 11 Feb 1872, Berlin, Canada; three ch.: Linda b. 18 Nov 1897, Reuben b. 13 Jan 1902, Ruth b. 13 Jan 1902, all b. and Res. Manchester, MI; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 14 Jun 1882, in MI since 16 Jun 1882; Wits.: A. S. Waters, attorney, Manchester, and Fred J. Schaible, clerk, Ann Arbor; known since 1 Jan 1887. Pet. 16 Feb 1917. Adm. 3 Dec 1918. Cert. #1074,203.

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News-Pages of the GSWC

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GSWC Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. at the Education Center Auditorium, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Campus, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti, Michigan, usually the fourth Sunday of the month, September to May.

Upcoming Meetings Fall 2015:

Sunday, October 25, 2015: **"Michigan Roots: Genealogy Research in the Great Lake State"** presented by State Archivist, Kris Rzepczynski. **Class: "New York Research"** by a panel of GSWC members.

Sunday, November 22, 2015: **"Do's and Don'ts of Cemetery Research"** presented by Gayle Herschenzon, who also will instruct us in **"Ethics and Etiquette in Genealogy Research"** in place of the class.

Sunday, January 24, 2016: "Lexington and Concord Battle Road: Birthplace of the American Revolution" by Judy Williston. **Class: "Military Research"** with John Philip Colletta via DVD. Carolyn Griffin will be giving additional tips, and leading the discussion.

Sunday, February 28, 2016: "Finding your American Ancestor using Canadian Records" by Katherine Lake Hogan—which will be in webinar format. Stay tuned for more information about this, and the possibility of remote access. **Class: "Using Library Websites for Genealogy"** by Barbara Snow.

Sunday, March 20, 2016 (note date adjustment!): "Photo Genealogy: Identifying (Dating) Old Photographs" by Bill and Glenna Jo Christen. **Class:** Assistance to identify the time period of YOUR Old Photos.

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Other Genealogical Organizations:

Monroe County has a new book, ***Civil War Veterans of Monroe County, Michigan.*** Email chriskull@monroemi.org for more information.

October 9 and 10, 2015: Western Michigan Genealogical Society: D. Joshua Taylor will be the speaker at the **"Got Ancestors!?!"** annual seminar in Grand Rapids. See http://gotancestors.com for more information.

October 11, 2015: Northville Genealogical Society: The meeting begins at 1:15, with Roundtable Discussion: **"Researching in Michigan"**, and General Meeting at 2:30, followed by the program at 3:00: **"A Rose is Not a Rose: Women in the Civil War"** by speaker Judith Coebly. Meetings are held in the Carlos Meeting Room, Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street, 248-349-3020). http://www.rootsweb.com/~mings.

October 20, 2015: Farmington Genealogical Society: **"The Good, the Bad, the Deviant: Researching Correctional Records"** State of Michigan Archivist, Jessica Harden, will help researchers navigate those records held by the Archives of Michigan to uncover information about past misdeeds, including how to get started, and using prison records to find even more genealogy resources. Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m., Farmington Library, 23500 Liberty St. Website: http://mifarmgs.org/.

October 24, 2015: The Plymouth Historical Museum will present a **"Plymouth Ghosts Cemetery Walk"** at Riverside Cemetery (660 Plymouth Road). Walks begin at 4 p.m. with small groups departing promptly every 15 minutes. Tickets are $10 each. Purchase tickets at the Plymouth Historical Museum or at the website: http://www.plymouthhistory.org/.

October 24, 2015: Polish Genealogy Society of Michigan Annual Seminar in Troy, MI featuring Jonathan D. Shea and Stephen Szabados. Website: http://www.pgsm.org.

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November 7, 2015: The Irish Genealogical. Society of Michigan will host an all day Seminar in Livonia featuring nationally known speaker, Donna Moughty. Go to http://miigsm.org/ or contact Bob Gaffrey at 248-327-6165.

November 14: MGC **"Fall Family History Event"** (Michigan Genealogical Council) 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Michigan Library and Historical Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo St., Lansing, Michigan.
The keynote speaker is **Paul Milner**, a specialist in conducting researching in Great Britain. On Saturday, Paul will deliver four programs:

1. **Finding Your English Ancestors: The Big Four**
2. **A New Location: Steps for Quickly Getting Started**
3. **Finding Your Scottish Ancestors: The Big Five**
4. **Irish Emigrants to North America**

There will be alternate breakout sessions with presenters from the Archives during sessions 2 and 4.

Friday evening will feature a "Lock-In" at the Archives. This will be similar to the "Lock-In" hosted by the Archives at recent Abrams Seminars. Pizza at 5 pm followed by research in the Archives from 6-10. Registration will be available to online registrants to the Fall Event. Space for the lock-in is limited to 35 attendees.

Early-bird registration will be open later in September for the "Fall Family History Event" for $45. The regular price will be $55 for those registering in the final days and walk-ins. An optional box lunch will be available for $11.00.

Registration links and fliers for the "Fall Family History Event" will be available on the MGC website, http://mimgc.org/.

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Genealogy Gems:
(Tips & Tools from Katherine R. Willson)
http://www.socialmediagenealogy.com/

We've all heard the stories of immigrants coming into the U.S. via Ellis Island, but think of all the other many ports of entry into the U.S. that our immigrant ancestors could've arrived through.

While New York was, of course, the largest port of entry (in addition to Ellis Island, Castle Garden was also an immigration station), a look at a map of the U.S. makes clear how many different ports of entry into the U.S. existed: any location bordering a large body of water or other countries were all possible entry points into the U.S. for our immigrant ancestors. In fact, there have been over 300 official ports into the U.S.!

Besides Ancestry.com, FamilySearch.org and Archives.gov, another great resource online for researching immigrant ancestors is http://www.genesearch.com . If you click on the first link under the category "Passenger Lists and Immigration Records," you'll be taken to a comprehensive list of the immigration records available for the many different ports of entry into the U.S. There are 36 states listed, as well as the U.S. Territories, Canada and Mexico.

Additionally, Stephen P. Morse's website at http://www.stevemorse.org/ has a large listing of the various passenger lists available, and a "one-step searching" feature that he's built into his website to allow visitors to search a wide variety of databases for their ancestors by inputting a first and last name.

I would love to hear from others about the helpful websites they're using online to help find immigrant ancestors - please email me your suggestions for inclusion in a future article!

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